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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 25, 1999 in the above-identified application.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

2. (Amended) A microscope slide stainer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the temperature controller, capable of moving on said moving platform, and the user interface, not mounted on said moving platform, communicate electrically via a group of conductors [wires].

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